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DIRECTOR METHOD

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Sir:

Submitted herewith are:

- 1.) Information Disclosure Statement (2 pgs.);
- 2.) Form PTO-1449 (1 pg.);
- 3.) Copies of documents cited as A1-A2 and C1-C2; and
- 4.) Return Receipt Postcard.



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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the patents and publications listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the patents and publications are enclosed.

REMARKS

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97, this statement is being filed (CHECK ONE):

(1) within three (3) months of the **filing date** of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d), or within three (3) months of the **date of entry of the national stage** as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.491 in an international application, or before the mailing of the **first Office action** on the merits, or before the mailing of a **first Office action** after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114; or

(2) after the period defined in (1) but before the mailing date of a **final action** or a **notice of allowance** under 37 C.F.R. 1.311, and

the requisite Statement is below, OR

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(3) after the mailing date of a **final action or notice of allowance** but before the payment of the issue fee, AND

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the requisite petition fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p), namely **\$180.00** is included herein.

It is respectfully requested that each of the patents and publications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, be made of record in this application.

STATEMENT

As required under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e), Applicant(s), through the undersigned, hereby state either that [check the appropriate space only if either (2) or (3) is checked on the previous page and the Statement is required]:

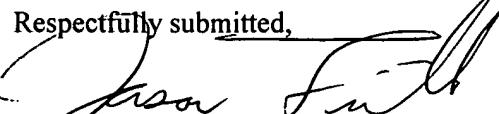
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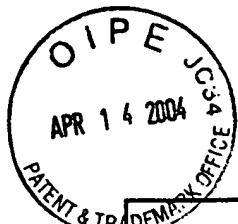
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	A1	US2002/0083344	06/27/02	Vairavan		713	201		
	A2	US2002/0087882	07/04/02	Schneier <i>et al.</i>		713	201		
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	C1	International Search Report for International Patent Application No. PCT/US03/24749, dated August 8, 2003, 4 pages.							
	C2	Erhard <i>et al.</i> , "Network Traffic Analysis and Security Monitoring with UniMon," <u>Proceedings of the IEEE Conference 2000 on High Performance Switching and Routing</u> , 2000: 439-446.							
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